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In re the Application of: **Teruhiko IMOTO et al.**

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For: **HYDROGEN ABSORBING ALLOY FOR ALKALINE STORAGE
BATTERY AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME, AND
HYDROGEN ABSORBING ALLOY ELECTRODE FOR ALKALINE
STORAGE BATTERY AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME**

Attorney Docket No.: **001431**

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 26, 2003, Applicants amend the claims as follows and submit the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.